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In re Patent Application of

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For: MR IMAGING USING ECG-PREP SCAN

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Sir:

SUPPLEMENTAL DECLARATION IN REISSUE APPLICATION

1. We the undersigned named inventors believe we are an original, first and joint inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a reissue patent is sought on the invention identified above. I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified reissue patent application no. 11/542,604 filed on October 4, 2006 under Attorney Docket No. 2382-59, including claims 1-56 accompanying the application, as amended and newly added claims 57-58. We acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. §1.56.

2. An assignment has been made by the undersigned to Kabushiki Kaisha Toshiba of the entire right, title and interest of the subject matter of U.S. Patent No. 6,801,800. In particular, see Reel/Frame 011854/0504 recorded by the USPTO May 29, 2001.

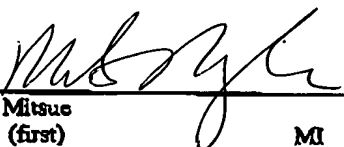
3. The undersigned believe the original U.S. Patent No. 6,801,800 to be wholly or partly inoperative by reason of the patentee claiming less than the patentee had the right to claim in the patent. An error relied upon as the basis for this reissue is the failure to request a scope of patent coverage such as claims 46-56, as amended, and new claims 57-58, of reissue application no. 11/542,604, filed October 4, 2006, which is necessary to adequately protect the invention. For example, features now specifically claimed that were not originally claimed include: at least one of the first 3D scan and the second 3D scan being performed with a gradient magnetic field including a dephase pulse; and that inferior limb imaging is synchronized with a pulse wave. The inventors/applicant intend to broaden the scope of protection through the instant reissue application to correct this error, and add new claims 46-58, as amended.


4. All errors being corrected in this reissue application up to the time of this Declaration arose without any deceptive intention on the part of applicant.

5. The undersigned hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. 119/365 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed or, if no priority is claimed, before the filing date of this application:

<u>Application Number</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Day/Month/Year Filed</u>
399259/2000	Japan	27/12/2000
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6. The undersigned hereby declare further that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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